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James et al:

We do perimeter air monitoring but they are not stationary monitors.

We do sometimes detect odors with our noses but nothing that translates into anything on the meters. Typically, if I get a complaint I will contact Don and see if the COH could do some additional monitoring in the community in addition to our perimeter monitoring which is what we discussed at the beginning of the project. This has happened occassionally and from my recollection, although we can all detect it with our noses, the meters are not detecting meaning it is below the meter detection limits.

There are some odors that we cannot control and there are some that we may be able to control. There are going to be odors from the cleanup operation regardless and we will try to control as best we can.

If the odor that was detected by Mr. Tate was near our trailer, it was likely associated with the original wastes still in FT1004 (elevated phenols). We have not yet been able to get this material disposed. It will have to be treated on-site and then shipped off-site for disposal. We are close to getting everything in order to move forward on this. If COH staff comes to the site to do routine air monitoring on their own or at my request, please have them stop our trailer and give us an update of their results so that we can narrow down the source of the odors and try to recetify if possible.

We have been working closely with the community, especially (b) (6) on (b) (6)

Thanks

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Don, thank you for the update. I am also including the Trustee and his counsel.

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Gary,

Darryl Tate was out to the property on Friday afternoon and said the odors offsite were pretty strong, but then so were the winds.

We will try to get our people out more often to let you know whether the odor is leaving the property, but it would also be useful if your staff could check offsite too.

Although we have not received any complaints recently, I am told others have.

Thanks

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